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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1898.

WILL FREE SILVER BE THE ISSUE AGAIN?

Will Bryanism, including free silver, be the platform of the Democratic party in

Bryanism per se and Bryanism as representing free silver is still strong in those places where it was strong in 1896. Of course it is strong in those States which want the rest of the country to buy their silver bullion, but, we are pained to say, it is also strong in the

But will Bryanism, including free silver, be the platform of the Democratic party in 19002 Notwithstanding what we have said, we do not believe that it will be. Th Democracy of the North and Central States was not for either in 1896. It simply acquiesced in what the South and the silver States and part of the West imposed upon it. But the recent action of the Democracy of New York, Connecticut, New Jersey and Maryland foreshadows that the sound Democracy of the country will not again allow itself to have a revolutionary platform imposed upon it, and we predict that in 1900 the Democratic platform will neither declare for free silver, nor for Altgeitism, nor for Bryanism in any form. We think the nominations in New York make that plain. McKinley is very probably going to be thrown over by the Republicans for Roosevelt and New York, by nominating a gound money man for Governor, has emperatic party served notice upon the that she will no longer be led by the nose into support of doctrines that mean destruction to every material interest that she has. Predictions are foolish, since it is given to no man to look into the future. But let no man be surprised if the next nominees of the two parties are Theodore Roosevelt for the Republicans and Augustus Van Wyck for the Democrats. Can the Democrats win in that

Judge Van Wyck is an honest, upright and able man that will satisfy any clement of the country. He is a thoroughgeing Democrat from principle, he is for henest money and a dollar of full value, and he can be trusted wherever he is placed to do the part of an upright man. But will the native strength of Democracy and Judge Van Wyck's upright character be sufficient to elect him President of the United States? We most earnestly hope so, but we fear the result. The Democratic party has been tied so fast to revolutionary ideas for the past few years-ever since it broke with Mr. Cleveland, indeed-that it is now thoroughly discredited, and we fear it cannot again recover the confidence of the people between this and 1909. "Have no dealings with my father," said Martha Napbois, to Lord Nigel, "for dotard though he be, he'll cheat you."

Martha Tapbois did not have more implicit confidence in her father's disposition to defraud than the public has come to have in the Democratics party's present management to overthrow all existing

The party has secured for itself a bad name, and we fear it will have to live a long life of good conduct before it relieves itself of suspicion.

DANVILLE'S TOBACCO TRADE.

The Danville loose tobacco market has made a new record. For the fiscal year ended October 1, 1898, there was sold in the Danville warehouses 49,494,741 pounds of tobacco at an average price of \$7.81 per hundred. This was a gain of about 8,000,000 pounds over the previous fiscal year, and also a gain of about \$1.50 per influence of such a grand institution is

This tebacco brought on the open market \$3,864.821, a large percentage of considered all the bids that were put in. which was paid out to the farmer in per- but it was a feregone conclusion from son who in turn purchased supplies from the beginning that if removed at all the the Danville merchants. It is easy to see what a great industry that is in itself. Apart from the fact that a large number of farmers are thus brought to market, to handle that quantity of tobacco on the warehouse floors requires hundreds of ing the most distinguished ministers of men. The tobacco after being sold at auc- all denominations, and various other adtion is taken to the leaf factories where it is pulled to pieces leaf by leaf and put adition to be shipped away. This is ther large and lucrative branch of the

means who spend a great deal of money in Danville from year to year, and they and of factory hands thus being employ-

Again the fact that so much leaf tobacco is brought to Danville and sold in fere as it has never flourished before, and the open attracts to that place a number | we believe that it will eventually bring of tobacco buyers who represent tobacco hither its old yoke-fellow, Hampden-Sidfactories in Richmond and elsewhere. They also constitute an important ele- tional centre, and will be greater yet as ment in Danville's population.

Once more, the fact that all sorts and conditions of leaf tobacco can be found in Danville at all seasons of the year is necessarily a strong inducement to men to New York theatres on Tuesday night in manufacture tobacco into plug to locate there, for where the raw material is there naturally the factory is.

In short, the loose leaf business Hes at the tobacco men of Richmond would be fact. Richmond can have a loose market flowers to him. equal to the Danville market if only the Danville way is adopted.

### VIRGINIA MINERALS.

We have already mentioned the fact that a general committee is being formed ing at Salem in the early future of owners of furnace and mineral properties and others whose interests lie in that section. It has been decided in connection with the proposed meeting to establish at Salem a permanent collection of samples of the minerals contained in the district mentioned. The committee believe that the establishment of such a collection will be beneficial to the owners of the property sampled, and Mr. W. A. Smith, who is the leading spirit in the movement, urges that all persons interested shall send samples to Salem. In the same connection the Salem

Times-Register reproduces an article from these columns on the sebject of mineral development in the southwest, with the following comment:

The Times is unquestionably performing a great and much esteemed service for this section of the State in keeping its splendid advantages so constantly before the people, and it has our earnest thanks therefor. We share its epinion, too, that the time is not far distant when these advantages must be recognized by outside capital, and no-where will it be more cordially welcomed than right here In this immediate section.

Several years ago when the beem in Virginia was started the whole world was attracted by the wonderful riches of the southwest section. That wealth was never exaggerated. It was and is all that was claimed for it. The boom had a substantial foundation, but unfortunately took the wrong turn. Men got the speculative fever and began to lay off towns and to sell lots at enormous and ridiculous figures to the neglect of the true wealth of the soil.

But this was not the only drawback to the development of these properties A number of furnaces were partially built, to say nothing of other industries The land companies had not the necessary cash, but had plenty of paper, which they regarded as good, and started on these new plants with the reasonable believes that as their paper fell due they would receive enough cash to prosecute the wor to the end. But before many of these in dustries were finished the Baring Broth ers failed in London and caused a squeeze in the money market. With that the land boom began to collapse, the fic-

left in an unfinished condition. And so southwest Virginia got a very black eye, and so its last condition was worse than the first. But as we have said, the real wealth of that section was never, in our opinion, been told, while by reason of the unfortunate boot the early future, when all there proper whole section will be aglew with for steel in the manufacture of their wares.

Birmingham had a land boom and a et-back just as Virginia had, but the Birmingham section is rapidly recovering Iron manufacturing is going on at a great rate and mineral properties are again in great demand. The eye of capital is again turned towrads Virginia and it cannot be long before the develop ment will begin. There is a bright future for that entire section and we are glad to see that the enterprising men of southwest Virginia are now taking proper steps to induce capitalists to come in and invest.

### manuananana THE SEMINARY.

The opening of the Union Theological Seminary in this city yesterday was an event of great moment to the people of this community. The Seminary had for many years been located in Prince Edward county, and the splendid work that it did is attested by the numerous distinguished Presbyterian divines who have been graduated from that institution.

But the time came when it was necessary to remove the school to a more accessible point. It was a most serious undertaking. So many sacred associations surrounded the old institution that it seemed like a sacrilege to take it away from its birthplace and modernize it. But sentiment gave way to common sense and after a long struggle it was decided to make the change. Naturally, there was brisk bidding among the cities of Virginia for the Theological Seminary, for it is a most desirable institution to any community in every way. Its commercial value is not a thing to be ignored, but far above this the moral and educational simply inestimable.

The friends of the institution carefully removal should be to Richmond, the capital of the State, the central and largest city of Virginia. It was a wise choice. Here the students will have the advantage of the State Library, the opportunity of hearvantages which are so apparent that they

need not be mentioned. The people of Richmond are under a debt of gratitude to Rev. B. P. Kerr. D. tobacco industry in Danville, The pro- D., for it is to his carnest and inde-

prietors of these leaf factories are men of fatigable efforts that the removal is due. But we think that the institution itself is no less indebted to Dr. Kerr, for he give employment to men, women and has conferred upon it under God a great children in their factories, several thous- blessing. Those splendid new buildings stand to-day a monument to Dr. Kerr's solicitude and to Major Ginter's liberality We believe that the Seminary will flourish ney College. Bichmond is a great educathe years go by.

### LEE IN NEW YORK.

General Fitzhugh Les was at one of the company with some of his friends, the party occupying a box. The New York Sun tells us that at the close of the first act a bouquet of flowers was handed to the foundation of the tobacce trade, and the actress who was playing the leading role, and that she in turn walked over wise indeed if they would recognize that | to General Lee's box and presented the

General Lee stood up and bowed, and the crowd then for the first time realized who the man in uniform was. The Sun says that the crowd then stood up and cheered while the orchestra played "The Star Spangled Benner." After the cheer-Star Spangled Benner. After the ensering and noise had died away the people
crowded to the box and General Lee
held an informal reception until the curtain rose again. Between the second and third nots the scene was repeated, and this time the band played "Dixie," the people in the theatre joining in the song. This man was a Confederate brigadier, the nephew of the leader of the Confederate forces, and Dixie was the national song of the Confederacy. Sectionalism is

### PLENTY OF MONEY.

According to the reports just sent out from Washington the amount of gold and aliver coins, certificates, United States notes and national notes in circulation October 1st, 1898, was \$1,816,586,382, being an increase of \$137,755.854 compared with the same date last year. Estimating on a population of 74,825 this gives a per capita circulation of \$24.74.

Yet in spite of this the silver people are saying that money is scarce and is getting scarcer all the time under the gold standard. There is no argument, however, against figures.

Chaplain McIntyro says he cannot remember what he said in his fecture, but other people did. Now, it used to be entirely different when David B. Hill lec-

Now they have issued a warrant for Quay's arrest. It is strange how this old fellow makes the opposition do all his political advertising for him.

Aguinaldo will keep on fooling around until somebody plugs up his gold whistle, Hobson's demonstration of the value of

air-bags has brought "Cola" Harvey right to the front again. ing 'possum to see which of his three

wives will put on mourning for him. 600 to get back a parcel of love letters. Goodness, how many giris could have sold him a bushel of love lettrs for half

Philadiphia it, to have a baby show. This indicates that the Philadelphians

as a result of wearing corsets, Equeezed

to continually forget that there has been any war.

The Spanish Peace Commissioners seem

se a good time for Willia to read of some of the thrilling gold brick purchases. for a divorce from his wife because "she

The Finke's history fleet sems to be

persists in eating onlone." Otherwise

hottled up in Culpoper. Dr. Senn's charges against the War Department are a triffe higher than the

"Coin" Harvey has been made "general manager of the Ways and Means Comcalttee for the Democratic Party," Ar we remembr this man the "Coin" soubtiquet sprang from the fact that he changed his entire bank balance into gold just before the election of 1806.

Tod Steans, horse jockey, weight 94 nounds: salary, \$10,000, is got in favor of expansion.

That grand old Confederate, Colonel Ginn & Co., seems to be right numerous n Culpeper.

General Longstreet, who recently married at the age of eighty-two, appears to be afraid that another "Daughter of the Confederacy" would marry and thus detract from the sentiment of the title; but,

of course, with a man it's different. The coal barons may as well go to see Parmer Evans and be done with it.

A Definition. Brown-What is a sonnot? Smith-A poem of fourieen lines, not necessarily unintelligible.-Puck.

A Suggestion. She-Now, dear, we must begin to econ-

He-All right. Begin by making the bread a little lighter.-Yonkers States-

Pay the School Teachers. "She sets a good example for others."
"Then she will have her reward."
"Certainly. She wouldn't teach arith-

metic for nothing."-Philadelphia Bulle

Hard at Work.

'Claudia, is the young man industrious whom you are engaged?' 'Industrious? Why, papa, he intended to propose to me a month ago, but was too busy."--Chicago Record.

## Swift,

"The fight was all over in a minute," aid the witness. "W'y, it was all done said the witness. "W'y, it was all done as quick as an ole married man kissin" his wife good-bye. -Indianapolis Journal.

Experience.

Ferry-I understand that Hoyt writes all his plays from inchients occurring under his own observation. Hargreaves-1 wonder if that is so? If

it is it must cost him an awful lot for wine and hack fares before he gets a play finished.—Cincinati Enquirer.

Just What She Didn't Want.

Poor Lover-I'd always treat you like an angel.
She-Yee, with nothing to eat and still less to wear.—Harper's Bazaar.

A Gentleman. The Colonel-That Nawthunuh comes nighty near bein' a gentleman-mighty The Majah-But, Kunnel, he doesn't drink.
"I know he doesn't, Majah, but he spologizes fo' his eccentricity most charmingly, suh."—Indianapolis Journal.

General Satisfaction, Visitor (to sexton disging grave in churchyard) - Who's dead?
Sexton-Old 'Squire Thornback.
Visitor-What complaint?
Sexton (without looking up) No complaint; everybody satisfied - Tid-Bits.

Regarding Fashoda,

A Frenchman met a Briton
Far down in the Sudan;
And the Frenchman suid; "We've dropped in here With a civilizing plan. Fo do work humanitarian For our heathen brother man."

Sald the Briton to the Frenchman: It won't need doing twice."
-J. W. M. in New York Press.

His Discovery.

He gazed at the stender lines.
That had formed upon her brow,
And he saw a glistening hair.
That had fastened itself, somehow.
Among the locks that were golden brown:

And he thought of the years that had But her youth was gone, at last.

The roses were gone from her cheeks,
The sparkle had left her eyes,
He sat and mixed at her face
And was filled with sad surptise.
Day after day he watched.
And he sixhed day after day.
As other and desper wrinkles came
And the brown locks turned to gray. The roses were gone from her cheeks,

"She is growing old," he sighed; She has passed on ahead of md; I haven't the heart to tell her so. Though others must surely see". But the thing that the world beheld And the thing that he never knew Was that Age had struck with a heavy hand.

-S. E. Kiser, in Cleveland Leader.

"Don't Cheer." When down the gallant Texas steered Abreast her Spanish prey. Three hundred volces would have cheer-

But Philip said them, Nay-

"Don't cheer-"For on those scorehing decks.

Convuised with dring threez,

Lie scores of quivering human wrecksOnce proud, now conquered, foes.

Than that they did not do: No braver triumph e'er was won By wearers of the blue.

Than when, fired, flushed with victory, Our Jack Tars held their breath And paid, on distant Cuban sea, The honors due to death,

The hold are the compassionate, And element are the brave. E'er quick to offer lave for bate, And yielding foce to save.

A wounded captive's care.

And for a dying fee will breaths

A tender, pitying prayer.

C. A. S. Dwight in New York Ledger.

## AFTERMATH.

The street car company at Madison Ind., which recently tried the experiment of using women as conductors, was not pleased with the result. The women have been discharged and their places filled by

ported engagement. Adelina Patti says

Captain J. W. Philip of the United States Navy, complains to the Secretary of the Navy that he has not been advanced live numbers as directed by the President, but only two.

endeavor to have the grade of vice-admiral restored, in order that that title may be bestowed upon Rear-Admiral Dewey. The New York Herald argue that Dewry should be made tall admiral.

small pair of embroidery scissors about a month ago, and the most diligent search

J. S. Prather, of Atlanta, is 161 years old, having been born in the eighteenth century. He is in excellent health, and bids fair to live a good while longer. His eyesight has nearly fallen him, but he is able to recognize friends by their volce, his hearing being still good.

The Teachers' Pay.

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The action of the Common Council in voting to pay the school teachers for the days they taught without remuneration last December has occasioned very little surprise or comment. The resolution requires a two-thirds vote in the Baard of Aldermen, and some doubt is expressed as to its fals in that branch. The president of the Board will be a very able champion, and the opposition will be left by Mr. Hardwicks, chairman of the finance Committee.

follows: Rinnics, Cottrell, Curtia, Ces-Messrs Bianks, Cottrell, Curtia, Ebel, Fergusson, Gibson, Grimes, Hocke, McCarthy Mills, Miner, Neale, Pollick, Shea, Teefey, West, Whalen, Winston, Woody, and Caskie—20.

Noes-Messrs, Camp, Garber, Gunst, Harrelson, Houson, Peters, Tanner, and Wallerstein.

The Minstrels.

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W. S. Cleveland and George Wilson, who is known far and wide as a famous black-face entertainer, have combined their two companies this season in one r instrel show that is unique and unaurpassable. The two united companies include George Wilson, E. M. Hall, John Queen, Keno and Welsh, Charles G. Weber, the eminent baritone, and many others. thers. The sale of seats for their engagement

at the Academy on Saturday afterneon and night commences at the box effice this morning at 9 o'clock. Seats for the International Opera Com-pany will be a pany will be on sale next Monday morn-

# PEOPLE AND POLITICS.

BY AN OBSERVER.

Among successful politicians there is no

offrentery with which men change their costitions on public questions and the acceptain and applause with which they are present following such changes puzzle the student of the homely old virtue of consistency. It has been said that consistency is the vice of small minds. If our modern statesmen are great minds this surely must be true. I have heard in our virginial court houses crowds madly Sirety must be true. I have an addy cheering a man whom only a few short months or years before, the same "many-headed multitude" was ready to tear in pleces. The man that is popular one pleces. The man that is popular one year may be the most unpopular the hext. In the whirt-a-gig or kaleldoscope of polities everything is readily forgotter and forgiven; or, to reduce it at last to the old proverb, "Politics makes stronge the old proverb. "Politics makes strange bed-fallows." Perhaps a better explanation of it is in the words of John Ruskin. "Truth is a polygon." and that the worthy public is kept busy trotting around all sides of this polygon. As the public looks upon the polygonal sides of all questions, they are very apt to overtake the politician at least on some one of its muny sides; but there is one thing to be observed in regard to all this, that littemperate partisancy is an indication of shallow convictions. The man that most loudly denounces his opponent is himself the first to turn, while the almost brutally extreme man will soon be found shouting in the other camp. Virginians have not forgotten that Mahone was "a better Democrat than Bon Hill," and yet in a few short months he was leading the Republican forces in the South. In a hot debate in this State in regard to was a man of being was a man of the correction.

General M. C. Butler's brutal attempt o threw discredit upon the Third Virinta Regiment as a body, and his pun-

of opportunity for young statesmen. The man who in the quiet of the shools and the sourcey of his library dedicates him-self "to closeness and the betterment of

A great political contest is on in New York. There are many elements of strength on both sides, many elements of great weakness. With an enthusiastic Roosevelt in the field. With a suggestion of much more professional skill the Dem-crats have put Judge Van Wyck, brother of the distance of the confurther, the Republicans charge the Lormo-mats' left wing, which is weak, with their right, which is strong; at the same time, the Democrats charge the Republicans, left wing, which is weak, with their right, which is strong. Colonel Roosevelt expects to make a very nelsy and a very enthusiastic campaign, throwing over himself the glamor of his recent military achievements, he will go up £nd down the State drawing large crowds and work-ing on the imagination of the neopie. On ng on the imagination of the people. On the siner hand, the Democrats of New experienced campaigners. They where the votes are and they know to go after them; they are united and the bank deposits of the State Poul," at Washington,

have a noble and worthy candidate in Van Wyck. Roosevelt is handicapped by the canal francis in that State, which has squandered millions of the peoples' money, and by the Raines liquor law, which raises from the tax-navers of New York eity millions of dollars to be expended for the benefit of the rural districts. There is no more sensitive nerve than the pocket nerve, and we very much doubt if even pulitary hero-worship will be able to stand un against the showing that the Democrats can make. If Mr. Roosevelt and lies managers do not look out they will overweak his military record. There were others at Santiago, and many others who were not there who ought to have been there in steed of Mr. Roosevelt. While the Republicans praise the administration and the war, the Democrats point to the thousands that have died in camp because of incompetent officers. The result is in doubt. The man wakes a sustake who thinks that Mr. Roosevelt is going to "ride roughly" over the Democrats of New York State. such thing as political consistency. It does not seem at all necessary. The effrontery with which men change their

The contest in New York has brought once more into the arena David B. Hill. He has not been before the American people since the close of the Chicago convention. When he does come before than again he comes as a distinct politics force, atrong, complacent, successful. Hi is the most self-contained public man America. He has more power and skil

ging forth, surely there is no tellin

# SOUTHERN NOTES.

Various Items of More or Less Interest

From Dixie Land. NASHVILLE, Oct. E-City Tro Walter O. Does was this morning sus-pended from office by Mayor Dustay pending an investigation of his accounts.

norming, work was begin on his book-ing youthers, and up to to-night three outhers were found to have been raised

TAX DODGING IN GEORGIA. The annual report of Comptroller-Gen-eral Wright renews the discussion over the taxation of invisible property. It is a subject that Mr. Wright has discussed many times in his annual report. He estimates that \$100.000,000 of intangible property escapes taxation each year in that State. The value of stocks and bonds returned in the State is ridiculously inadequate scarcely exceeding four mil-ilons. Thirty millions of money, notes and accounts are returned, although



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The Petersburg Index-Appeal of Yes-terday has the following in its Richmond

of our Federal judges pissess. As a rule, there is too much of that thing commonly described as "silfriess" about them. Judge Waddill is a deficitful innovation. By the way, Judge Waddill's elevation to the hench has made a vacancy in the leadership of the Republican party, for he is no longer taking part to politics. Having been close to President McKinley he was admittedly the leader in Virginia. There is no one to tak his place. Colonel Brady and Mr. Park Agnew probably could be considered as the active leaders. They are the "big two," while S. Brown Allen, of Augusta; George E. Bowden, of Notfolk, might be added and make it a big four. Measrs. Edgar Allan, Morsan Treat, Sitth Bolling and a few others are big four Measrs Edgar Allan, Morsan Treat, Stith Bolling and a few others are very influential men in the regular party organization and they have a strong